Ova and Parasites Examination

Order Name:	**O and P Exam**
Test Number:	5195166
Revision Date:	01/18/2024

TEST NAME	METHODOLOGY	LOINC CODE
Ova and Parasites Examination	Formalin concentrate and trichrome stain	N/A

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS

Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	**5 mL (3 mL)**	**Fecal/Stool**	**Ova and Parasite Detection Kit (PVA and 10% Formalin)**	**Room Temperature**
Alternate 1	**5 mL (3 mL)**	**Sputum**	**Formalin in Screwtop Container**	**Room Temperature**

Instructions	**Container:** O & P transport container with formalin and PVA (Para-Pak® pink and gray) **Storage requirements:** Room Temperature **Collection:** _**Sputum**_: If paragonimiasis or echinococcosis is suspected, submit specimen in 10% formalin. _**Feces**_: Submit in a parasite preservative kit. Please inoculate both the PVA and the formalin tubes. Fresh feces should not be submitted. State the preliminary diagnosis. _**Other**_: Contact the laboratory for specific instructions. All: Multiple specimens may be necessary to recover ova or trophozoites. Three specimens are recommended (each is charged). Fecal specimens for parasitic examination should be collected before initiation of antidiarrheal therapy or antiparasitic therapy. The highest yield on hospitalized patients occurs when diarrhea is present on admission or within 72 hours of admission. The onset of diarrhea more than 72 hours after admission is usually caused by Clostridium difficile toxin rather than parasites or the usual stool pathogens.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Expected TAT	3-7 days
Notes	*Effective Jan. 23rd 2024 the reflex test will be reported inside the orginal order for the Ova and Parasites Exam test.*

ORDER CODE	ORDER NAME	RESULT CODE	RESULT NAME	LOINC
5195166	**Ova and Parasites Examination**	**5195166**	**O and P Exam**	**673-4**
		5195168	**Ova and Para 1**	**10701-1**
		5195169	**Ova and Para 2**	**10701-1**
		5195170	**Ova and Para 3**	**10701-1**
		5195171	**Ova and Para 4**	**10701-1**

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